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NOTICE OF APPEAL

SIR:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Examiner made in the Final Office Action dated June 7, 2004 finally rejecting claims 9-12 and 17-19. Claims 13-16 are objected to.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the 37 C.F.R. 1.191 Notice of Appeal fee of \$330.00 to the deposit account of Kenyon & Kenyon, Deposit Account No. 11-0600. Any additional fees deemed necessary should also be charged to Deposit Account No. 11-0600. Two additional copies of this Notice are enclosed for that purpose.

Applicants are requesting a further two month extension of time to respond to the Final Office Action mailed June 7, 2004. The previous one month extension of time was mailed on September 15, 2004. The additional two month extension of time will extend the response period to December 7, 2004. The additional extension fee of \$870.00 should be charged to the deposit account of Kenyon & Kenyon, Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

Respectfully submitted,

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